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EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE "ELAM" SCHOOL OF ART.

The number of students on the roll at the present time is about 370, of whom about sixty pay fees, the rest being admitted free under the "Elam" bequest. The attendance of students at the various classes continues satisfactory, the total number of attendances registered during the year being 35,549, an increase of nearly 2,000 on the number for 1908. In the winter term, ending 9th October, 10,504 attendances were registered during the ten weeks, being an average of considerably over 1,000 per week. The attendances at the "life" and wood-carving classes during the year showed a large increase over 1908. The attendances at the advanced "life" classes numbered 2,912 for the year, while those at the wood-carving classes were 5,369, or nearly 1,000 greater than in 1908. An exhibition of students' works was held early in December in the City Council Chamber, by kind permission of His Worship the Mayor, and was visited by a very large number of people, and the opinion was generally expressed that the work exhibited was the best that had been seen at these shows for some years.

At the Annual Examinations of the Science and Art Department, of London, forty-two students of the school obtained certificates in various branches of art, while eight works submitted to London for examination for the Art Class Teachers' and Art Masters' Certificates were accepted.

I am pleased to state that during the last few months three sudents of the school have obtained positions as instructors of recognized classes. The latest of these appointments is that of Miss I. Copeland to the Assistant Art Mastership at the Wanganui Technical School.

E. W. PAYTON, Director.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1909, in respect of Associated Classes conducted at Auckland by the Managers of the "Elam" School of Art.

Receipts.	t.	s.	a.	Expenditure.	e	s.	а		
Polones at beginning of goog	. 186			Salaries of instructors	788				
Comitation on accomist of alarma	. 447			Office expenses (including salaries, sta-			•		
Rent	90	0	0	tionery, &c.)	82	11	9		
Furniture, fittings, apparatus	. 23	7	11	Advertising and printing	24	19	0		
	. 23	2	2	Lighting and heating	24	14	7		
	. 200		0	Insurance and repairs		16			
Fees		2	6	Material for class use		18			
From the trustees for the "Elam" School			_	Models	36		-		
of Art	. 264	10	0	Various expenses	_	14	-		
				Furniture, fittings, and apparatus	61				
				Balance at end of year	195	11	6		
			_	_			_		
	£1,232	1	8	#.	1,232	1	8		
				SAM. JACKSON, Chairman of Managers.					
				E. W. PAYTON, Secretary) of managers.					

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EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE EDUCATION BOARD.

Saturday classes for the training of teachers were held during the year at Stratford and New Plymouth, and among the subjects studied were drawing, cookery, physiology and first aid, nature-study, cardboard work, singing, botany, and dairying. The Board fully recognizes the benefit to be derived by pupils of the higher standards taking a course in dairying, and would like to see a greater number of teachers in attendance at the Saturday classes in this subject. Classes for instruction in elementary handwork were conducted at forty-seven schools, and sewing under the manual regulations at nine. In addition, instruction in agriculture, physiology and first aid, physical measurements, advanced needlework, swimming, chemistry, botany, cookery, woodwork, dressmaking, and dairying was recognized in 102 cases. Mention might be made of the special rural classes established in connection with the District High School, Stratford. These classes promise to be a great success, the course covered embracing English, arithmetic, chemistry, botany, elementary surveying, dressmaking, woodwork, cookery, agriculture, physical measurements, and dairying. Technical and continuation classes were again conducted at Stratford and New Plymouth, and met with a fair amount of support. The subjects studied were much the same as in previous years, and satisfactory interest was evinced on the part of the students.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION.

Manual Instruction.—During the year there were ninety schools in operation in the district, and, of these, forty-seven took up handwork in some form or other. In addition to the ordinary handwork subjects, instruction in woodwork, cookery, agriculture, chemistry, physiology and first aid, physical measurements, advanced needlework, botany, swimming, dressmaking, dairying, and elementary surveying was recognized in 102 cases. The classes in woodwork and cookery were attended by over six hundred children, and the Board's instructors in these subjects have been kept very fully employed. Elementary agriculture, which was carried on in twenty-four schools, proved a very popular subject,